

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, February 17, 1729.

Daily Post-Boy, Feb. 7.

Moscow, Jan. 8.

The Czar has notified to the Foreign Ministers, that he will set out on his return to Petersburg the Beginning of next Month, and that he has given a present Number of Horses and Sledges upon the Road for that Purpose.

The Czar is set out for Vienna, to notify to the Emperor the Death of the Princess Natalia, of which his Imperial Majesty has not hitherto had any other Notice, than by the ordinary Couriers; and Lieutenant General Solticoff is charged with the same Commission to the Duke of Blankenburg, Grandfather by the Mother's Side to the Czar and the deceased Princess.

Vienna, Jan. 29. The Countries of Friuli, and round about Gratz, Trieste and Fiume, producing very good Wine, a Merchant here has purchased a large Quantity of it, and sent it with an Imperial Passport to Holland, and if it bear the Sea without changing for the worse, it is not doubted but Gentlemen will give it the Preference to French Wine.

Paris, Feb. 12. On the 1st Instant the Queen went to Prayers, and afterward made a Visit to the eldest Princess, who is very well since she cut three Teeth.

A Man has stood in the Pillory at Versailles, with Partridges Wings fixed to his Shoulders, for catching the Game with Nets in the Park at Versailles.

From the Post Boy, Feb. 8.

London, Feb. 8. Yesterday about three in the Afternoon, his Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, went in his Chair to the Earl of Halifax's House, where his Royal Highness supped after the Lords broke up.

We hear that one of the Under Secretaries of State, and Mr. Paxton one of his Majesty's Messengers, are to go down to the next Assizes at Exe-

ter, to the Trial of Edward Fairley, for the reprinting of *Mist's Journal* of the 24th of August last.

Last Wednesday, a Waterman, between 70 and 80 Years of Age, who plied at the old Swand Stairs at the Bridge Foot, hanged himself in his Room near St. Saviour's Church, Southwark.

From the London Evening Post, Feb. 8.

London, Feb. 8. This Day at Noon, a Board of Admiralty was sitting on extraordinary Affairs. Count Kinski, the Emperor's Envoy, hath notified the Death of the Elector of Mentz to their Majesties.

The Earl of Cowpar is preparing to set out on his Travels.

By a Letter from Plymouth we learn, That the *Gosport* Man of War sailed from thence the 26th of January, and that Evening took a small Vessel about 20 Tons, laden with Wine and Brandy, and put her into Plymouth: and on the 27th the same Ship took another about the same Burden, laden with Salt and Brandy, and carried her into Falmouth. On the 28th the same Man of War took a Sloop laden with Salt, Puldaries, and carried her into Penzance in Mount's Bay; so that the said Man of War in three Days caught three Smuglers. About ten Days since, there was a Ship foundered off the Lands-end, and there was a great many Pipes of Wine and Brandy came ashore about Marazion in Cornwall, and abundance taken up by the Vessels at Sea.

From Whitehall Evening-Post, Feb. 8.

Stockholm, Jan 13. The Minister of the King of England has had a private Audience of the King, in which he signified, That his Britannick Majesty had taken a Resolution of sending next Spring, a Squadron of 15 or 16 Men of War to the Baltick. His Majesty has sent Orders to the Admiralty of Carlskroon, to cause to be built out of Hand, two new Ships of War and five Fregates. The

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Senate having represented to the King the Necessity of putting the Troops of this Kingdom on the same Foot as they were under the Reign of the late King Charles XII. his Majesty has given the necessary Orders for that Purpose. 'Tis said a new Edict of the King will suddenly be published, in favour of the Roman Catholick Merchants and Traders in this Kingdom; and 'tis said they will obtain the free Exercise of their Religion in the private Chapels which are under his Majesty's Protection.

From the St. James Evening-Post, Feb. 8.

Naples, Jan. 8. Mount Etna having thrown up a great Quantity of Flames towards the latter End of last Month; and Mount Vesuvius beginning to send up great Clouds of Smoke, we are very much afraid of an approaching Earthquake, for fear of which, the Inhabitants do begin to remove their Effects.

London, Feb. 8. On Thursday Night last all the Guardships, (6 of which are at Portsmouth, were ordered to be fitted for Sea, with 4 Months Provision each, at full Allowance, and to be mann'd up to their highest Complement; and at the same time, seven more Men of War were nam'd to be commissioned.

'Tis advis'd from Palermo in Sicily, That the following Ships were lost, at their lading Ports on the South-east of that Island, viz. the Barcelona, Capt. Nicholson, Burthen 350 Tons, laden with Corn, for Lisbon; the Caesar, Capt. Elliot, 300 Tons, laden with Corn, for ditto; the May-Flower, Capt. Daniel Swinford, with Corn, for ditto; the Hope, Capt. Roger Franklin, cut all her Masts, but remained at Anchor; the Grand Duke, Capt. Philips, from London, for Leghorn: the John and Mary, from Jamaica, bound to Fal-mouth.

From the Evening Post, Feb. 8.

Paris, Feb. 12. On the 31st ult. the Butchers of Versailles, with Trumpets, Kettle-drums and Hantboys at their head, drove a fat Ox before the King's Windows, because the King designs to pass the Carnival at Marli. The King gave them 10 Louis d'or, and the Queen 6. They had a Swisser and a Runner. The young Butchers were dress'd

like Turks; and the King's Butcher Habit, was astride the Ox. The other dress'd like a Cardinal, and Gentleman of the Law, each carrying a Box, with which they went to the Market collected 600 Livres; then they had cost them more Money.

On the 5th Instant a Robber got of the Abbot Lagos, Canon of Neuchâtel, having stoln a Parcel of Plate, he was in the Fact; and being searched, they told him what he had stoln, together with a Dagger.

He was afterwards carried to the prison, where when they went back to him, he got him dead, having stabbed himself to the Heart with a little Knife, which he concealed in the Roll of his Stocking.

London, Feb. 8. Last Thursday the Birthday of our late most Gracious Sovereign Queen Anne, was commemorated in this City and Westminster, by displaying of Flags, ringing of Bells, and other Demonstrations of Affection.

This Day fennight the several People that had Informations filed against them, the last Day of the last Term, for printing and publishing Mist's Journal of the 24th of August last, are to be tried at the King's Bench.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Feb. 11.

Since our last arrived a Holland and French Mail.

WE are in Hopes, that when the Courts of Vienna and Spain see that we are in earnest to enter upon stronger Remedies than Negotiations, they will be induced to accept of the Provisional Treaty.

The Letters from Vienna by the Holland Mail, which arrived since our last, begin to speak more favourably than formerly; for they tell us that the Lord Walgrave the British Ambassador having lately received a Courier from his Court with important Dispatches, had afterwards several Conferences with Count Staremberg and Prince Eugene: And it was assured the Imperial Court had given Assurances, That his Imperial Majesty would

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no only exactly execute the Preliminaries of the Year, but would likewise use his with the King of Spain to persuade they add, That the Publication

compleating, by Way of Trial Troops, was suspended.

Mean time our Men of War are ordered to be commissioned, and four Months Provision to be got ready for them, as well as the Guard Ships.

'Tis wrote from Cannuba, That on the 21st past a Vessel arrived there from Carthagena, from whence she put to Sea seven Days after the Gallies, so that it was believed they would arrive in Europe before the End of this Month.

We hear that the large Ship which we formerly mentioned to be built at Deptford, is laid down to Gravesend, and manned with Frenchmen, who are to carry her to St. Malos.

'Tis remarked, that the Spaniards have within a short Time received at Cadiz three fine large Ships, besides the St. Philip, (which we lately mentioned formerly) that were built for them in this River.

His Majesty, as a further Instance of his Love and Paternal Care in promoting the Interest of the Nation, has been graciously pleased to declare, That when ever it shall be thought necessary for him to take into his Pay Foreign Troops, he will use Endeavours that they may be clothed with the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

The Generality are of Opinion, that the Squadron now fitting out is not designed for the Mediterranean, but for the Baltick, in order to have an Eye upon the Motions of the Russian Fleet, who according to some Accounts, seem to threaten Attempts against Sweden. An Hospital Ship is fitting out for this Squadron at Deptford; and Conduct Money and other Encouragements by the late Act of Parliament, given to such as shall enter voluntarily.

Yesterday an Appeal was lodged before the Lords, by Mr. William Bumstead and others, from the present Lord Chancellor, in favour of the South Sea Company Respondent, who charge the said Mr. Bumstead, Supercargo of the Ship *Royal George*, together with Captain Davidson, with giving private Orders to provide great Quantities of unlicensed Goods, to the great Prejudice of the

Sale of the Cargo on board the said Ship; and for unjustly carrying her to Antegoa, and having her there condemned as unfit to come to England.

This Day an Account of the National Debt was presented, and ordered to ly on the Table; the Malt Bill to be ingrossed; and the Election for Queensburgh to be considered the 6th proximo.

'Tis said the Distillers design to Petition the House, against the Bill for laying 6 d. per Bushel on Corn and Grain not malted.

This Day at the Rehearsal of Musick at St. Paul's for the Feast of the Sons of the Clergy, 135 L. 4 sh. was collected by the Ladies who were present, which is 10 L. more than last Year.

This Day Mr. Hales and Mr. Kennersly stood in the Pillory before the Royal Exchange, the latter in his Canonical Habit. Nothing was offered to be flung at him.

From the Evening Post, Febr. 11.

Schaffhausen, Feb. 6. According to our Advices from Milan, the Princess Consort of the Chevalier de St. George, was brought to bed of a third Son at Bologna, where they gave him the Title of the Duke of Rochester.

Paris, Feb. 16. The 7th at Night the Duke of Wharton gave a Ball at St. Germain en Laye, and at Midnight the Duke vanished, and no body knows where he is gone.

Letters from Madrid of the 1st Instant say, that they heard every Day from the Court, who lay the 15th at Arago, and arrived early on the 16th at Badajoz, where it was received with great Demonstrations of Joy by the Inhabitants and Troops in Garison.

The 17th, the King sent the Duke de Solferino to compliment the King, Queen, and Princes of Portugal, who arrived the Day before at Elvas, also the Count de Montejo, with Presents to the Princess of Asturias.

The same Day, the King of Portugal sent the Count de Allegretto, to compliment their Catholic Majesties and their Highnesses; and sent also the Marquis de Cascais with Presents to the Princess of Brazil.

On the 18th, the Ceremonial was regulated in order to the Exchange. And,

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On the 19th, the same was performed: Their Majesties and their Highnesses being set out from Badajoz in a magnificent Coach, accompanied by all the Lords and Ladies of the Court, went to the Place built on the River Gaya, which divides the two Kingdoms.

At the same time, the King, the Queen, and the Princesses of Portugal, went in at the opposite Door, being together 13 Royal Persons; and after reciprocal Compliments, and the reading the Articles of the Marriages, the Princesses of Brazil went away with their Portuguese Majesties, and the Princesses of Asturias, with their Catholic Majesties, who returned to Badajoz, where they were present in the Cathedral at the singing the *Te Deum*, which was performed by the Musick of the Chapel Royal. And the same Evening the Espousals of the Prince and Princesses of Asturias were ratified.

The 23d, their Catholick Majesties and their Highnesses, with their Portuguese Majesties and their Portuguese Highnesses, went a 2d time to the House of the Exchange. And again, the 26th the two Courts took their Leave of each other.

The Spanish Court set out the 27th, to go to Seville in 8 Days, where they will stay for some Time.

Cadix, Jan. 25. The Preparations which were making here for the Reception of the Court, are exceeding great.

The Captain of a French Ship which is arrived here from Caen, reports, That he saw 9 Sail of Men of War, which we presume are those from Corunna cruising in quest of the Galleons.

The Dutch Squadron under Vice Admiral de Graave, consisting of 8 Men of War, are under Sail on their way for Holland.

This Day his Britannick Majesty's Ship King's Lord Vere Beauclair Commander, arrived here from Genoa.

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¶¶¶ The Room called BOIGHALL, lying in the Parish of Linlithgow, about half a Mile East from the Burgh, and holding Feu of the Town Council; is to be exposed to voluntar Roup upon Friday the last Day of February Inst. in the House of Thomas Smith Writer in Linlithgow, Par-

ticulars to be seen in the Hands of James Guthrie the Signet, and of said Thomas Smith.

††† That the new-built House call'd PA the North of the West Kirk, being west to the Water of Leith, (with the Top) all well furnished with Bo a Park and Garden; will be sette ber of Years as shall be agreed and Tackman. The House confides Closets, Office houses, Conveniencies, having likewise and fine Water, with a Fish Pond in the Park. Any who incline to take the same, may call at John Anderson Carpenter his House in the West Bow, who will agree with any Tackman, as to the Rent, and Term of Years of the Tack.

To be sett in Tack at Whitsunday next.

The Mansionhouse of MURRAYSHALL, lately by that of Halmyre, lying in the Parish of Newlands and Sheriffdom of Peebles, within 12 Miles of Edinburgh, and two Miles of Linton, consisting of a Kitchen and Cellar vaulted, and a Bedchamber in the Ground Storey; a large Dining Room and Bedchamber, pretty well finished with a Closet to each, (that in the Dining-room holding a Bed) in the second Storey, and two Bedchambers and Garret in the Roof Storey, all within a Close or Court, besides a Barn, Byre, Stable and other Office-houses belonging thereto, together with a Kitchen Garden, and six Bolls sowing which the Tenants of Murrayshall are obliged to Labour, and the Carriage of 50 Loads of Coal, with Grass for three Cows and two Horses, all contiguous to the said Mansionhouse. Enquire at George Purdie at the Exchange Coffeehouse Edinburgh.

N. B. The said House is within three Miles of a well-going Coal.

¶¶¶ That some Tons of WINE, lying in Cellars at Leith, is to be exposed to Sale by publick Roup, either in Whole or Parcels, on Saturday the First of March next, at 11 in the Forenoon, in the House of Gilbert Yeatts Vintner there. And the same Day and Place, at 3 after Noon, is also to be exposed to Sale by publick Roup, the Ship Katharine of Leith, lying in that Harbour, and whereof Edward Scoular is Master, with Tackling and hails Pertinents. The Invoices of the Wine, the Rights to, and Inventory of the Ship, with the Conditions and Articles of Sale of both, to be seen in the Hands of John Hay Writer to the Signet, at his House in the Parliament Close, any time before the Roup. The Inventory of the Ship may also be seen in the Hands of said Edward Scoular in Leith.

*¶¶ There is a large furnish'd LODGING at the Foot of Colinton's Close, opposite to the Netherbow-well, on the South-Side, to Sette; with a Coach-house, Stables, Garden, and all Conveniencies. Enquire at Robert Pringle Writer in Mary King's Close, for Particulars.

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